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## GRAND AND BEAUTIFUL MYSTIC PARADE SEEN BY THOUSANDS

Fourteen Floats and Four  
Bands Made the Parade  
Nearly a Mile Long.

CHEERS GREETED  
KING PRISCUS

STREET PAGEANT PRONOUNCED  
THE GRANDEST EVER WITNESS-  
ED IN PENSACOLA, WHILE THE  
CROWDS THROING THOR-  
OUGHFARES WERE ESTIMATED  
AT NEARLY 30,000, EVERY POS-  
SIBLE POINT OF VANTAGE BE-  
ING FILLED.

Fully twenty thousand of Pensa-  
cola's own people and nine thousand  
visitors witnessed last night the most  
effective and gorgeous carnival  
parade that ever added lustre to the re-  
putation of the Deep Water City. Every  
point of vantage on Palafox and other  
streets through which the wonderful  
floats were drawn was crowded with  
enthusiastic, bewildered watchers,  
while the sidewalks were packed from  
curb to house-line with a dense mass  
of humanity which at many places  
overflowed the usual bounds and ex-  
tended far into the roadway.

It was the final demonstration of  
King Priscus before reparing to the  
hall of splendor where he crowned  
his lovely queen in the presence of a  
devoted throng of courtiers. It well  
befitted the mysterious being whose  
usual court it held on a distant, un-  
known isle, bathed in eternal sunshine  
and caressed by a soothing sea, and  
who, though monarch of this great  
land upon the Mexican Gulf, comes  
but once a year and then for a period  
far too brief, to cheer the hearts and  
inspire the hopes of his most loyal  
subjects.

**BRIGHT LIGHTS FLASHED.**  
Bright flashed the wild light of col-  
ored flames upon the weird symbolic  
caravan. Dreams which were born  
within the imagination of the anxious  
Schoharade, whose sweet recital of  
them won salvation from a sultan's  
vengeful wrath, were conjured into  
life and swept in a bewildering pan-  
orama before the wondering eyes of  
American twentieth century civiliza-  
tion. Straits of music, the penetrat-  
ing flare of raucous brazen horns and  
barbaric drumming, the muffled and  
subdued and pleading cadences of dul-  
cet instruments attuned to sweet ac-  
cord, lent emphasis to scenes of ven-  
geance, blood and death or of the dear,  
soft dalliances of mutual love as re-  
counted in those marvelous Arabian  
Nights Entertainments—tales which  
will live forever among the rarest im-  
mortals in the world's bouquet of lit-  
erature.

**EXCLAMATIONS OF PLEASURE.**  
There was but one expression with  
regard to the pageant. On every side  
might be heard expressions of delight  
—"beautiful," "splendid," "fine," "lov-  
ely," "simply grand," all the usual ex-  
clamations of a well pleased crowd,  
whose pleasure was further accentuated  
by frequent and loud applause.  
Many of the spectators, not satisfied  
with one view, hastened to other  
points where they might again see the  
floats pass by and feast their eyes on  
a sight which, no doubt, to many was  
as novel as it was beautiful. The  
crowd on Palafox street remained  
compact as at the start until the final  
tableau passed for the last time on its  
way to the point of disembarkment on  
Garden street, and there was evident  
regret when all was over, despite the  
merriment which reigned and claimed  
a universal participation.

**THE HANDSOME FLOATS.**  
The fourteen handsome floats,  
which elicited applause along the en-  
tire line of parade were as follows:  
**The King's Float.—No. 1.**  
The float of his majesty, King Priscus,  
X, was resplendent in gold and  
silver, trappings, white, billows  
cloudlike throne having surmounted  
the whole, from which his majesty  
bowed profoundly, and enthusiastically  
greeted his loyal subjects. The al-  
together regal and really elaborate ef-  
fect produced was a fit setting for the  
mythical king whose reign was so soon  
to end.

**Title Float.—No. 2.**  
The title float, a hazy, fairy-like  
creation in swirls of breathlike  
zephyrs and surrounded in all evi-  
dence, of the "stuff that dreams—  
especially day dreams—are made of,"  
was perfect in its harmonious and  
delicate blending of colors. The title,  
"Arabian Nights," was to be seen from  
two elm arches, which added greatly to  
the effect.

**The Fisherman.—No. 3.**  
Float Number 3 depicted the fam-  
ous tale of the "Fisherman," told in  
the Arabian Nights series, and was  
a credit to the artist. Great white  
fish were seen floundering and leap-  
ing about in the water, and the fisher-  
man was in the act of casting his net.  
This particular fisherman, according  
to the tale, unfortunately fished out  
a brass pot from the sea one day, upon  
which was affixed the seal of Solomon.  
Breaking this, he set at liberty a huge  
geni, who had somehow been impris-  
oned in the vessel for something over  
1800 years, by defying the great proph-  
et upon some trivial point. It will be  
remembered that the geni's temper  
did not appear to improve in the cen-  
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DR. S. R. MALLORY KENNEDY,  
King Priscus X.

## FULLY NINE THOUSAND VISITORS IN THE CITY

Railroads Alone Handled  
6,043 Since Last  
Thursday.

BOATS FROM VARIOUS POINTS  
AND THOSE WHO CAME HERE  
PRIOR TO THURSDAY EASILY  
NUMBER 3,000—AN INCREASE OF  
25 PER CENT. OVER LAST YEAR.

Fully nine thousand persons visited  
Pensacola during the Mardi Gras festi-  
vities, being an increase of 2,000  
over the number estimated to have  
visited the city last Mardi Gras. The  
fact that 9,000 persons were attracted  
to the city by the Carnival is borne  
out by figures furnished by the Louis-  
ville & Nashville, and proves clearly  
that Pensacola's Mardi Gras carnivals  
are growing more popular with each  
succeeding year, and where, eight and  
nine years ago only a few hundred  
came to the city they now number up  
into many thousands.

This year the travel by boat and  
the number to come to the city prior  
to Thursday showed a big increase as  
all of the river vessels were crowded  
on each trip, and it is conservatively  
estimated that these brought fully  
3,000 people to the city, including  
those who began arriving ten days  
and two weeks ago and continued to  
increase in number each day up to  
Thursday, when records were obtain-  
ed. It is thus estimated, and conservat-  
ively, too, that the visitors num-  
bered fully 9,000.

**6,043 BY RAILROAD.**  
The Louisville & Nashville Railroad  
handled since last Thursday morning  
no less than 6,043 passengers into  
Pensacola. The dates and number of  
passengers arriving each day are as  
follows: Thursday 536, Friday 481,  
Saturday 1,009, Sunday 1,500, Monday  
1,500, Tuesday 1,926.  
Last year 2,000 passengers arrived  
in the city on Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday and Saturday, 1,900 on Sunday,  
886 on Monday and 952 on Tuesday.

**VERDICT AFFIRMED.**  
Washington, Feb. 23.—The verdict  
of the United States circuit court for  
the southern district of New York,  
imposing a fine of \$108,000 upon the  
New York Central Railroad company  
on the charge of granting rebates to  
the American Sugar company was to-  
day affirmed by the supreme court of  
the United States.

**RAIN STORM IN MEMPHIS.**  
Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 23.—Memphis  
and vicinity was visited today by a  
severe wind and rain storm which did  
some damage to outhouses and shrub-  
bery. Telegraph wires were disar-  
ranged and communication with north-  
ern and eastern points was slow and  
uncertain.

## RICHMOND WELCOMES BATTLESHIPS

Graceful Homage Paid to  
the Globe Circlers by Peo-  
ple of Old Confederate  
Capital.

By Associated Press.  
Richmond, Va., Feb. 23.—Graceful  
homage was paid by the south today  
to the globe-circling American bat-  
tleship fleet, in this old capital of the  
Confederacy.  
"We welcome you to the hearts of  
a people who yield to no one in de-  
votion to the American navy, nor in  
loyalty to our flag."  
This sentiment was feelingly ex-  
pressed by Mayor Richardson in welcom-  
ing Rear Admiral Sperry, Rear Admiral  
Wainwright and fifty-four officers un-  
der the former's command, and found  
a harmonious echo in the following  
words of the gallant Sperry:  
"On the world cruise I had about  
me a splendid staff of seven men, six of  
them are commonly known as 'flying  
velvet.' Georgia, Florida and South  
Carolina were all represented among  
my personal aides. With these men  
at the wheel is it any wonder we have  
gotten here, and on time?"

## WALTHOUR WINS FROM E. COLLINS

In Doing So He Lowers the  
Track Record of Atlanta  
by Over a Minute.

By Associated Press.  
Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 23.—Bobby Walthour tonight defeated Elmer Collins,  
winning the first and second five mile  
heats of the schedule of the fifteen-  
mile event. Time: First heat, 7:38  
4-5, which is 1 1-5 seconds faster than  
the track record. Second heat, 8:03  
2-5.

**FIRE AT LUVERNE.**  
Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 23.—Fire at  
Luverne last night destroyed the city  
court room and the postoffice, be-  
sides other buildings. The loss will  
be about \$12,000, most of which is  
covered by insurance.

Crowds, Excellence of Pa-  
rades, Etc., All Combined  
to Make It Success.

SPIRIT OF FUN  
WAS CONTAGIOUS

THE STREETS WERE JAMMED  
WITH A MASS OF HUMANITY,  
BUT GOOD ORDER PREVAILED,  
AND EVERYONE WAS OUT FOR  
FUN AND FROLIC WHICH THEY  
ENJOYED UNTIL A LATE HOUR  
LAST NIGHT.

Pensacola's tenth Mardi Gras Car-  
nival was a big success. The crowds,  
excellence of the parades, and good  
order made it so. The spirit of fun  
was contagious, and there is not a  
man, woman or child in Pensacola  
yesterday and the day prior but who  
thoroughly enjoyed the occasion. The  
streets were crowded, really jammed  
with a mass of struggling humanity  
each day from noon until far into the  
night, but that spirit which makes  
Carnivals of this character so pleas-  
ant, was prevalent and everyone was  
in a good humor. True some few  
overstepped the bounds of decorum,  
even on occasions of this nature, but  
these were very few.

Merry maskers mingled with the  
crowds throughout the afternoon and  
night, and as the latter began to ap-  
proach the number on the streets be-  
gan to increase, and by the hour of  
the mystic parade moving along any  
of the principal thoroughfares was  
almost an impossibility. Children of  
three and four years, men of 80 and  
90 years, mothers with babes in their  
arms, young ladies, young men. In  
fact, all were there, and there for fun.  
Confetti was thrown and no one took  
offense. It was dashed in handfuls  
into the face of any and everyone,  
and laughter and merrymaking could  
be heard above the din of noises made  
by horns, bells, etc.

**THE AUTO PARADE.**  
With the spirit of fun unloosed, in  
the latter half of a day filled with in-  
teresting events, throughout which  
joy reigned supreme in obedience to  
the command of King Priscus, mon-  
arch of those who forget their troubles  
and joined the throngs which knew  
neither care nor sorrow during the  
carnival, the parade witnessed by  
cheering thousands and pronounced  
one of the most beautiful attractions  
offered by Pensacola during the  
Mardi Gras season, 23 beautifully  
decorated and highly finished automo-  
biles, in which were seated beautiful  
women, passed over a route which  
caused them to twice appear in re-  
view of the seething mass of human-  
ity which lined Palafox and other  
streets, at 2:30 o'clock yesterday af-  
ternoon.

The big machines made a very  
pretty sight as they proceeded at a  
moderate rate of speed over the dif-  
ferent streets, the careful manner in  
which they were piloted over the long  
route without accident to either oc-  
cupants or spectators being remarked  
upon by many persons.  
The parade of the automobiles was  
the first of its kind held in this city,  
the success of yesterday's event being  
a guarantee that this feature will  
form an important part of future car-  
nival celebrations.

All of the big cars were decorated  
in an artistic manner, showing that  
careful attention was paid to minor  
details.

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WHITE STAR LINER  
IN DANGEROUS POSITION.  
1,000 PERSONS ABOARD.

By Associated Press.  
Boston, Mass., Feb. 23.—After  
floundering in the mud off  
Ft. Warren on George's Island  
in the outer harbor, the White  
Star liner Celtic, inward bound  
with nearly a thousand passen-  
gers from Mediterranean ports  
on board, brought up on Cen-  
tury ledge, half a mile east  
of the fort at eleven thirty to-  
night and is apparently in a  
dangerous position late tonight.

## FLORIDA WINS IN RECLAMATION LAND TAX CASE

By Associated Press.  
New Orleans, La., Feb.  
23.—The case involving  
the constitutionality of the  
reclamation land tax in  
Florida was decided in fa-  
vor of that state by the  
United States circuit court  
of appeals here to-day.

## BRILLIANT CORONATION BALL FITTING CLIMAX TO CARNIVAL



MISS CORA E. BRENT  
Crowned Queen of the Carnival.

## COL. DUNCAN B. COOPER IN THE WITNESS CHAIR

## TORNADO WIPES OUT TOWN OF FISHER, ARK.

Six Persons Were Killed and  
More Than a Score Were  
Injured, Several Seriously.

By Associated Press.  
Marked Tree, Ark., Feb. 23.—Six  
persons were killed and more than a  
score injured, several seriously, and  
practically every building in the  
town of Fisher was wrecked by a  
tornado which swept throughout the  
northwestern portion of this county  
today, according to meagre advices  
received here late today.  
Wire communication with the de-  
vasted district is completely pros-  
trated and the only information re-  
ceived was by messenger, who stated  
that in the town of Fisher there are  
but two buildings standing, while the  
damage to the surrounding country is  
great.  
Because of the flooded condition of  
the country, a relief party which left  
here this afternoon was forced to  
abandon its efforts.

## BROWNSVILLE SOLDIERS WILL SOON RE-ENLIST

Measure Providing For Such  
Passes the Senate by a  
Party Vote of 56 to 26.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, Feb. 23.—The measure  
providing for the re-enlistment of the  
soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry  
discharged by the president for al-  
leged participation in the shooting up  
of Brownsville, Texas, was passed by  
the senate today, 56 to 26.  
This is the compromise bill, which  
is approved by President Roosevelt,  
Senator Foraker and all Republican  
members of the committee on military  
affairs. It was adopted by a party  
vote, with the exception of Senator  
Teller, who voted with the Republi-  
cans.

Testified to Facts Leading  
Up to the Carmack  
Killing.

CLAIMS THAT CONFERENCE IN  
BRADFORD'S OFFICE WAS TO  
PERSUADE HIM NOT TO SEND A  
NOTE TO CARMACK—GOT RE-  
VOLVER SUNDAY NIGHT PRIOR  
TO KILLING.

By Associated Press.  
Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 23.—The  
sixth day of actual testimony in the  
Cooper-Sharp murder case closed with  
the aged defendant, Col. Duncan B.  
Cooper, on the stand, his own counsel  
questioning him, and when court ad-  
journed it was intimated they were  
about half through.  
They had taken him over the trouble,  
commencing four years ago, and  
brought him down to the start from  
his son's office to the governor's man-  
sion. It was during this walk that  
the killing of Carmack occurred.  
Colonel Cooper made an excellent  
witness. He appeared very cool, col-  
lected and almost disinterested. Only  
one time he showed emotion, when  
counsel was reading the editorials  
which led up to the killing. The re-  
lations between himself and Carmack  
were most cordial during the Car-  
mack-Taylor senatorial contest, said  
Cooper. The first offensive article  
appeared in the Memphis News-Scim-  
lar in 1908. Cooper supported Tay-  
lor then. The witness said when he  
supported Patterson for governor Car-  
mack ceased speaking to him.  
**THE OFFENSIVE EDITORIAL.**  
A copy of the Tennessean of No-  
vember 8th, 1908, was introduced. It  
contained an editorial, entitled "Across  
the Muddy Chasm," which so enraged  
Colonel Cooper that he told Craig  
Cooper, must die if his name appeared  
again. Cooper said Carmack also  
charged him with being the "head  
and front of a corrupt machine." Co-  
oper said he read these editorials  
before the killing of Carmack. Wit-  
ness said he was armed when he went  
to Robin's office on Monday morning.  
He got the revolver Sunday night.  
He didn't know what kind it was, as  
he never looked at it twice. Asked  
if the weapon was loaded he said: "I  
presume so; Colonel Hutcherson told  
me it was when he gave it to me."  
After an hour's discussion the court  
ruled that the witness could say  
whether there was or was not a con-  
ference and what the result of that  
conference was, but must not give the  
language used during it. Asked re-  
garding the purpose of the conference,  
Cooper said:  
**PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE.**  
"It was to dissuade me from send-  
ing a note to Carmack. I went to the  
conference to learn what resulted from  
Bradford's efforts to settle the diffi-  
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Miss Cora E. Brent Crowned  
Queen of the Carnival  
of 1909.

DR. S. R. M. KENNEDY  
KING PRISCUS X

BEAUTIFUL SCENES WITNESSED  
AT OPERA HOUSE, WHERE THE  
CORONATION AND BALL OC-  
CURRED, AND WHERE KING  
PRISCUS UNMASKED, CAUSING  
MUCH SURPRISE AND PLEAS-  
URE.

His Royal Majesty, King Priscus X,  
appeared in all the pomp and regal  
glory of the coronation ball at the  
Pensacola opera house last night,  
when, surrounded by a court of daz-  
zling splendor, and amid the flashing  
of the lights, the handsome features  
of Dr. Mallory Kennedy were revealed  
to the audience as Priscus, king of  
the carnival of 1909, the best, the  
greatest and the largest in the history  
of all Mardi Gras festivities.

Dr. Kennedy had a bearing which  
might have stamped him at once as  
having indeed been born to the pur-  
ple, and a kingly air with a more  
regal manner would indeed have been  
difficult to find. He acknowledged the  
loud applause which greeted him with  
a dignity which was becoming and  
very fit—worthy, in fact, of the great  
and unabounded admiration which he  
received.

His robe, which was of ivory satin,  
and his long, flowing mantle of ermine  
were shown to good effect, and he  
wore his crown with a kingly grace.  
Masters Dan Reilly and Harold  
Wright were his pages.

**THE QUEEN.**  
Miss Cora Brent, who was crowned  
queen of the carnival last night when  
Priscus placed a crown of flash-  
ing gems on her head, has been seen  
to advantage in many of the city's  
most prominent social events for  
several seasons, but never before had  
her splendid, regal beauty appeared  
more strikingly than last night.

Miss Brent has a beautiful figure,  
and she carries herself charmingly,  
facts which were accentuated during  
last night's ceremonies.  
Her dress was of white ivory satin,  
the entire front of which was of  
duchess lace with rose point inserts,  
the whole having been beautifully  
embellished with gold passementerie,  
done with touches of pearl and bril-  
liants in ornamental design. The  
mantle worn by the queen was also of  
white ivory satin, entirely covered  
with gold bouillon net, over which  
was arranged a trimming of iridescent  
passementerie. The facing was of  
rose-hued velvet, her tiny pages hav-  
ing been Masters Nedwell Downing  
Covington and Chas. Lamar, both of  
whom were dainty and sweet in white  
satin and rose velvet.

Beautiful queens have reigned in  
the realm of Priscus in years that  
have gone, but none have surpassed  
either in beauty of person or regal  
attire the beautiful consort of the  
monarch of yesterday, and Pensacola,  
as a great enthusiastic unit, was  
proud of her.  
The city, thronged as it was with  
visitors from abroad, could not have  
presented a more royal appearing  
couple last night than Dr. Kennedy  
and Miss Brent, which was indeed  
cause for real congratulation upon  
the part of those who had the success  
of the gigantic fete most at heart.

**THE LADIES.**  
The pretty group of ladies in wait-  
ing to the queen was composed of the  
following local society girls: Miss  
Genevieve Brent, Miss Nellie Keyser,  
Miss Emily Jones, Miss Ada Hilton  
Green, Miss Mary Wilson, and Miss  
Louise Quina, all of whom appeared  
in beautiful director costumes of  
white ivory satin with gold trim-  
mings. Each carried an arm bouquet  
of white roses, there having been no  
coloring among the costumes of the  
ladies save white and gold.  
Each of the ladies were types of  
Pensacola's fairest womanhood, and  
they presented a beautiful picture in-  
deed as they were escorted in by their  
respective knights and surrounded  
their regal queen.

The gentlemen in waiting were  
Messrs. Fred Blount, Hazel Stone,  
Ellis Knowles, Alton H. Warren, Clar-  
ence R. Avery and Geo. S. Brent, all  
of whom appeared in conventional  
evening dress.

**THE TABLEAUX.**  
Preceding the coronation cere-  
monies a series of four tableaux was  
enacted, those presented having been  
taken from the Arabian Nights Tales,  
and those participating being from  
the floats in the big street pageant.  
The fourth scene represented the  
throne room, where the masked Pri-  
scus was discovered seated. The en-  
trance of the attendants occurred.  
Miss Genevieve Brent entering upon  
the arm of Mr. Warren, Miss Ada  
Green being attended by Mr. Clarence  
Avery, Miss Nellie Keyser by Mr.  
Geo. Brent, Miss Mary Wilson by Mr.  
Ellis Knowles, Miss Emily Jones by  
Mr. Fred Blount, and Miss Louise  
Quina by Mr. Hazel Stone.

The queen was the last to appear,  
advancing to the throne, where Pri-  
scus placed the blazing tiara of  
diamonds on her dark hair. The  
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